

Robert Langwell, an Indiana sailor lost at sea in 1950 during the Korean War, will be honored in a July 12, 2010 ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery. [According to the Columbus Republic](#)

Langwell "was born in Columbus but spent much of his life in Indianapolis." He was "among crew members of a Navy minesweeper that was sunk off the coast of South Korea a few months after hostilities began."

Congressman Pence submitted the following statement into the Congressional record honoring Ensign Langwell:

REMEMBERING ENSIGN ROBERT W. LANGWELL -- HON. MIKE PENCE (Extensions of Remarks - July 01, 2010)

HON. MIKE PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 1, 2010

- Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, nearly sixty years ago, Ensign Robert W. Langwell gave his life in service to our great Nation. Shortly after hostilities began in the Korean War, Ensign Langwell was lost at sea when his Navy minesweeper was sunk off the coast of South Korea. On behalf of a grateful Nation, I wish to thank members of the Korean government and U.S. military who were instrumental in recovering the body of Ensign Langwell. After decades of fruitless searching, he will finally receive the burial he deserves when he is laid to rest with full military honors in Arlington National Cemetery on July 12, 2010.

- Ensign Langwell was a native of my hometown--Columbus, Indiana--who served in both World War II and the Korean War. He later moved to Indianapolis where he graduated from high school, and then served two years in the Navy during World War II, including time at Pearl Harbor. Upon his return, Ensign Langwell attended Indiana University where he graduated with a degree in marketing. He was later called to serve in the Korean War before passing away in October 1950 at the age of 26.

- I offer my sincere condolences to David Parker, first cousin; Jerry Redford, Phyllis Johnson, and Brenda Showalter, all second cousins; Mary Parker, aunt; Jim Parker, first cousin; Nancy Cook, first cousin; John Parker, first cousin; and Karen Sprauer, second cousin. While Ensign Langwell's young life was tragically cut short, his valiant sacrifice is not forgotten.